

WOMEN, JOBS AND WISCONSIN'S GREEN ECONOMY

October 29, 2009 * MGE Innovation Center, Madison, WI

- 8:30 am. Welcome**
- Representative Kristen Dexter**
Wisconsin State Assembly
- Secretary Roberta Gassman**
Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development
- 9:10 am What Are Green Jobs?**
- Sarah White**, Senior Associate
Center on Wisconsin Strategies
- 9:40 am PANEL DISCUSSION**
Women and Non-Traditional Occupations in the Green Economy: *Barriers, Opportunities and Promising Practices*
- Carrie Hersh**, Operations Manager
WRTP/Big Step
- Mike Bernhard**, Master Electrician
Full Spectrum Solar
Seventh Generation Energy Systems
- Nancy Nakkoul**, Program Coordinator
Tools for Tomorrow: Women in Trades & Technology Program, Madison Area Technical College
- Moderator*
Abby Vogen Horn, Senior Project Manager
Energy Center of Wisconsin
- 10:15 am PANEL DISCUSSION**
Emerging Business & Policy Trends in the Green Economy: *A Forward Look at Women and Green Jobs in Wisconsin*
- Kathy Kuntz**, Director of Energy Programs
Wisconsin Energy Conservation Corporation
- Kathy Lipp**, Chief Environmental Officer
Alliant Energy
- Amy Heart**, Director, Milwaukee Office
Midwest Renewable Energy Association (MREA)
- Moderator*
JoAnna Richard, Deputy Secretary
Wisconsin Department of Workforce Development
- 10:50 am ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSIONS & REPORT OUT**
- Introduction*
Nancy Chen, Regional Administrator
Women's Bureau, U.S. Department of Labor
- Roundtable Discussion Questions**
1. What are the major challenges in green jobs for women? (identify top three) Please recommend solutions.
 2. How can we facilitate connections between workforce development, green jobs training programs, and employers to better train women for green jobs and employment?
 3. What are the next steps the state, local government, and private sector can do to encourage and train women for green jobs?



12:00 pm ADJOURN



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